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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No. 09/118,730  
Filed: July 17, 1998  
Inventors: Ellington M. Beavers et al  
Title: METHOD OF MAKING FREE ACIDS  
FROM POLYSACCHARIDE SALTS  
Examiner: E. White  
Art Unit: 1623  
File No.: 281-28



PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the period for responding to the Official Action of October 14, 1999, in the above-identified application, now set to expire on January 14, 2000, be extended by two months, until March 14, 2000.

A response to the Official Action, and a check for \$190.00, as prescribed in 37 CFR §1.17, are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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